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25X1X 1. [REDACTED] the Main Administration for Chemistry (Hauptverwaltung Chemie), gave the following facts about the planned investments of his office under the DDR Five-Year Plan:

- a. The original plan, which provided for an investment of 986 million east marks to increase production of industrial chemicals in the DDR, has been changed to provide 1.5 billion east marks for this purpose. The sum is also to provide for new installations and research in the SAG's on means to increase the DDR industrial chemical production.
- b. The most urgent tasks in the field of industrial chemistry are:
  - to increase hydrogen production capacity,
  - to increase hydrogenation capacity,
  - to increase methanol and formaldehyde production capacity and
  - to increase nitrogen production capacity.
- c. Also high in priority is the establishment of a people's owned experimental plant in the Leuna works for trying out the Solway soda process. This process uses sodium sulfate as a base and is patterned after the Leuna process of making ammonium sulfate.

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